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What is the light of hope amidst tears in the darkest moment? *iki no ki*, 2!

At the giant broadcasting tower, the "Ziggurat," the masks came off and Etsuro turns out to be... Garan?! Sorato is taken aback and at the reunion with his best friend that he thought he had killed with his own hands, Garan has set traps and Sorato's friends fall one after another. What will Sorato do...?!

Volume 5 of the black magic fantasy where past and present begin to intertwine!



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CHARACTERS & THE STORY SO FAR

Part I - The Imperial Capital



It's the age of romanticism in Japan. Sorato has a mysterious brand on his palm and loses his best friend Goran, Kiyora and Nozaki in the Walpurgis night. Baron Kamachika caused Sorato swear revenge on the culprit, the Baron, and takes Leith as his servant.

SORATO

A "demon's child" who is said to call forth the end of all things. Bears "Tow" branded on his palm. Uses his best enemy Leith to get his revenge.

NONOHA

A horned child born to Goran and Leith. She bears the soul of either Kiyora or Nozaki, and therefore the Baron is after her.



GORAN

Goran Kamachika's son and Leith and Sorato's best friend. Departed from this world during the night of the Walpurgis.



KIYORA/NOZAKI

Also who survived during the Walpurgis. One body housed the soul of Kiyora, and the soul of Nozaki. Both are missing.



BARON KAMACHIKA / THE GREAT KING OF TERROR

The main culprit for all that happened. He was the master of the Walpurgis night.

In order to protect Goran's orphan Norocho from the hands of the Baron's underlings, Sorato crosses time and space and arrives into the present. But even here, Norocho is constantly exposed to danger from the demons the Baron controls. And the shadow of the mysterious character Itsuroku draws closer and closer, Sorato infiltrates the completion ceremony of the giant broadcasting tower, the "Degustal," where a nostalgic, but cruel reunion is awaiting him.



MADANOCHI TOA
 CIV's popular idol. Feels that fate binds them with Itsuroku.

THE PEOPLE WITH BRANCHES ON THEIR PALMS

They stay away from the main character Sorato who bears the symbol of "flow." They keep an eye on him, because he is said to "call forth the end."



SAKAISHI (Sawashita)
 Saved Sorato a very long time ago. He was in danger, but was murdered by Leith.



BEEBE
 Urnates Leith for murdering Sakaishi and also Sorato for sticking with her.



KAW
 Protected Sorato as a minor leader on Sawashita's orders until Embroider II.

LEITH

Duke of Hell, metaphysical, assuming a human shape. Aiming for Sorato's life in order to escape to freedom.

ITSUROKU

CIV's president. A suspicious man who seems to have a connection with the Baron. Is he Goran? !!





Once, my
whole life...

GA...

A sensation
that feels
like a cold
blade was
pressed to
my throat

You...
That's
what
I felt
back
then...
too!

...GAK P

Don't tell
me that...

That time,
too!!

That
sensation
was...

My
whole
existence
was
devoted
to you



The Second Age
Chapter
12

Everything
was for you,
and yet...

I must
not get too
close to
Ryouga.

The girl
you love.

For you,
who told
me "live!"

How can
you be all
right with
 dying?
And give
me a
reason
to live.

...this
right hand
killed
you...

Yes.

For you, let
me live for
the smile on
your face.





IT'D LIKE
TO SAY
"LONG NO
SEE"
BUT...



YOU'RE
IN THE
WAY.



COULD
YOU DO
A BIT?



SORATO
!!!

After all...

Go!

you hate me.

Spruce

You despise
me...

If
spruce
you do...



THAT'S THE
GREATEST
SPECTACLE
ON THIS
SHOW!!!

THAT'S
MY
SEAT!!!

WHEN THE
LAST SONG
ENDS I, THE
STAR, WILL
SIT ON THAT
THRONE AND
THAT WILL
LIGHT UP THE
TOWN!!!

OUT
OF MY
WAY!!!

ITSUROU-
SAN CHOSE
ME OVER
YOU!!!

EVERYTHING
THAT WAS
YOURS BE-
LONGS TO
ME NOW!

I TOLD
YOU,
YOU
WERE
TAKEN
OFF THE
SHOW!!!



NOW I
REMEMBER
HER

SHE WAS
SAYING
THE
SAME
THING
BEFORE
TOO.

I WANT
TO BE
LIKE YOU,
TOA-
SENPAI!

I'M NOT WHO
I USED TO
BE ANYMORE,
TOA-SENPAI!
I TOOK
EVERYTHING
YOU HAD!



ONE DAY,
I WANT TO
BECOME A
BEAUTIFUL
FLUTTERING
BUTTERFLY
LIKE YOU...

HERE, I
MADE THIS
FOR YOU...



Be
come
like...
up, be
come
butter-
fly!

She
changed
a little
every time I
saw her.
The same
person.

THANK
YOU...



SENDU!

TWO OF EVERY-
THING WERE
YOU TRYING TO KEEP
MY THINGS WITH
THOSE?



WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING
WITH MY
THINGS?

THAT'S
CREOPY!

I LOVE
YOU SO
MUCH
THAT I WANT
TO BECOME
YOU!

I FELT THAT
IF I HAD
SOMETHING
YOU HAD
CARDED ON
YOUR PERSON,
I WOULD
BECOME MORE
LIKE YOU!

NO!





EVEN
IF YOU
SUCCEEDED
IN KILLING
ME, AS LONG
AS THE
ORIGINAL IS
AROUND,
YOU CAN'T
BEAT ME!

YOU
HAVEN'T
CHANGED
A BIT!!!

WHY
DON'T YOU
TRY TO USE
YOUR OWN
STRENGTHS?



BTW, YOU
SAID I'M
THE ONE
WHO DES-
SERVES
TO SIT ON
THAT
THRONE,
RIGHT?

YOU

YOU
SHUT
UP,
LOSER!



DID YOU
LOSE
THAT
MOBILE
PHONE?

GH?

ONE'S
TALK-
MAN

IS NOT
ON
YOU?



BUT...

GH?

YES...

THEN IT'S
SETTLED

MM



Etanow-
Gow II



YOU'RE THE
ONLY STAR
WORTHY OF
BECOMING
THE CORNER-
STONE OF
THIS COUNTRY'S
MAGNETIC
WAVES!

Corner-
stone...?



COME
ON,
TAKE
YOUR
SHIT.

I
KNEW
IT...

IT'S ME...





!



MIZUKA





SHOCK
ALIBY!

COME
ON!

OF COURSE,
THIS WAS
ALL AN
EXPERIMENT.
A PERFOR-
MANCE USING
PLANKEY!

DID YOU
ALL
ENJOY
THE
SHOW?



AND IT HAS
NOTHING TO
DO WITH
SOCIAL
SCANDALS!

APPLAUSES
FOR THE DEEL
STAR OF THE
ZIGURAT WHO
WORKED SO
HARD FOR
TONIGHT'S
SHOW, TOA-
CHAN!





LOOKS
LIKE I WAS
A LITTLE
LATE.

THAT'S...



Which
means
that really
was
Grimm...?

So that's
what the
Ziggurat
was for...



NOBODY
IN THIS
HELL CAN
SEE IT.

BUT IT'S AN
UNDENIABLE INDICA-
TION THAT THE END
OF THIS WORLD IS
APPROACHING...



DESH!

THAT'S
THE GATE
TO THE
WORLD OF
SPIRITS...

THE PARTY'S OVER, SO
THEY LEFT

NOTHING YOU DO
FROM NOW ON MAT-
TERS ANY-
MORE...

GODDAMN IT

NO,
ETSUBOU
TOA

It's
Rant

WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING?
THERE ARE
SO MANY
PEOPLE
LEFT!
EVEN
TOA

EVEN
TOA... WE
DON'T KNOW
WHAT
MIGHT
HAPPEN
THERE.



happy

WAIT!!!
RIN!!!

I AM...

YOU'RE ONE OF THOSE WHO KILLED YUU-CHUN,!

WEREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE AFTER US?

AH,!

YOU'RE-!

I FOUND A WAY TO GAIN POWER FROM THAT WOMAN,!

AND I DID IT! BUT THEN WHY DID NOTHING CHANGE?

WHY DID YOU DO THAT, P



THAT'S
WHY YOU'RE
NEITHER
"KNIGHT" NOR
"KNIGHT"
ANYMORE !

BECAUSE ~~YOU~~
TURNED
YOUR
CONTRACT
TO SCRAP

YOU LET YOUR
CONTRACT'S
SIGL FALL
INTO ENEMY
HANDS, SO THE
MAGIC BECAME
COMPLETELY
INEFFECTIVE.



WHAT
THE ?
WHAT
DOES
THAT
MEAN?



!



!

WHAT'S
GOING
ON
HERE?!

WORTH
MURRAY

Maria
II



MARIA

WHAT
WAS THAT
ABOUT HE -
SPEAKING
SOME SORT
OF CON-
TRACT.P

DO YOU
MEAN
THAT
CELL-
PHONE.P

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?!

THAT I
CAN'T
BECOME A
MAGICAL
ANYMORE
BECAUSE I
COULDN'T
GET MY
REVENGE...!!

TOMMY
STAY
AWAY!

SORRITOPY

WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?!

HMM
MY HEAD
FEELS
FUZZY...

THAT'S
RIGHT...

HE HAD TO
SOUND OUT
THAT MAN'S
SUBBONDINGS,
AS OUR MASTER
WISHED, BUT
NOW IT'S ALL
GONE.

YOU WERE
SO RIGHT...
ALL I
WANTED
WAS TO BE
JUST LIKE
YOU...

BUT
EVERY-
THING
STARTED TO
CHANGE
AFTER THE
DRY MAN
RECEIVED
THAT BIG
CAT FROM
STRAUDOU-
SAN.

OH,
TOM-
SENPAI...

WAS
WHAT JUST
HAPPENED
REALLY A
TRICK?
ARE YOU
ALL
RIGHT?

HIJIKATA
!!



AND THAT
SLAVES ON
YOU WAS
SUPPOSED
TO BE JUST
A SMALL
SEVEN.
BUT BEFORE
I KNEW IT...

AND I
STARTED
THAT
GAME, AS
HANA
TOLD ME
TO...

I USED THAT
PHONE TO
MANIPULATE
PEOPLE,
SO MANY
SOLDERS.
I GOT CAR-
DSO AWAY
IN IT.

I WAS
CONVINCED
THAT I
POSSESSED
SOME GREAT
POWER AND
I COULDN'T
STOP ANY-
MORE.

YOU ARE
NOT MY
MOTHER.

I
KNOW,
HANA.

BUT
NOW
THAT
I'VE
SEEN
DEATH.



HANA'S
SMALL
PRODUC-
TIONS
STARTED
TO
BECOME
BIGGER
AND
BIGGER.



I REALIZED
I WAS
BECOMING
MORE BEAUTI-
FUL, TOO.
JUST LIKE
I WISHED.
EVERYTHING
WAS GOING
SO WELL, AS
IF BY MAGIC.



I'LL
PAY YOU
BACK FOR
MAKING A
FOOL OF
ME AND
TREATING
ME, TOMMY.

JUST
WATCH ME!
I'LL REBEL
EVERY-
THING
FROM YOU!





SHE WAS
ALREADY
DEAD...



IT'S AN
ANCIENT
CURSE!
THE "LIVING
CURSE"

SHE WAS
ONLY
DREAM-
ING THAT
SHE WAS
ALIVE



KYAAAAHH
MIZUKA...!!



YOU ARE
THE DEMON
OSA WHO
GAVE
MIZUKA
POWER AND
TOOK OVER
HER
MOTHER'S
BODY...

THIS WAS TO
BE EXPECTED
BECAUSE SHE
GAVE THIS
TO SOMEONE
ELSE, AND
IT BORE THE
CONTRACT'S
SEAL, WHICH
EQUATED
"LIFE" FOR
HER

THIS IS
WHAT
YOU'RE
LOOKING
FOR
RIGHT?

W-
HURT'S
THAT
THING?

STAND
BACK,
TODAY

SO YOU'RE "SORATOJI"
MY JOB WAS SIMPLY TO
PROBE, LIKE THAT MAN
WISHED, BUT YOU GOT
IN THE WAY!

That
man? Oh, no.
Reck has
the magic
sword,
Can it
protect
"You
alone?"



WHY?
THIS
MAN
KILLED
YUJI-
CHIN!!
I MUST
DEAL
WITH
HIM!

WHY?

WHY?

W-
HART

OUT OF THE
WAY!! I'LL
TURN ALL OF
YOU INTO
SCAPEGOATS!

WHY DO
YOU
CARE
ABOUT
ME? P



NONO, MY DAUGHTER

ASKED ME
WHY YOU
STILL LOVE
YOUR BOY-
FRIEND EVEN
THOUGH HE
TREATS YOU
LIKE THAT?

HE TRIED
TO KILL US
I DON'T
THINK THAT
JUSTIFIES
HIS DEATH,
BUT...

I WANT YOU
TO MEET MY
DAUGHTER
AND EX-
PLAIN IT TO
HER YOUR-
SELF.

DIEEE!!!





SHATT

IT WAS
BECAUSE IT'S
DANGEROUS
TO LEAVE YOU
TO YOUR OWN
DEVICES!

HESS!



ALL
RIGHT!



BROTHER
!!!



WE'RE HERE
TO BACK
YOU UP, SO
CLEAN UP
THIS WHOLE
HESS.



It's just
as it...

What
is this

emotion
building
up...

this
sense of
unity?

I've felt
this
before

...we've
been to-
gether since
the moment
we were
born



Year	Number of cases	Percentage of cases
1990	10	10.0
1991	15	15.0
1992	20	20.0
1993	25	25.0
1994	30	30.0
1995	35	35.0
1996	40	40.0
1997	45	45.0
1998	50	50.0
1999	55	55.0
2000	60	60.0
2001	65	65.0
2002	70	70.0
2003	75	75.0
2004	80	80.0
2005	85	85.0
2006	90	90.0
2007	95	95.0
2008	100	100.0
2009	105	105.0
2010	110	110.0
2011	115	115.0
2012	120	120.0
2013	125	125.0
2014	130	130.0
2015	135	135.0
2016	140	140.0
2017	145	145.0
2018	150	150.0
2019	155	155.0
2020	160	160.0
2021	165	165.0
2022	170	170.0
2023	175	175.0
2024	180	180.0
2025	185	185.0
2026	190	190.0
2027	195	195.0
2028	200	200.0
2029	205	205.0
2030	210	210.0
2031	215	215.0
2032	220	220.0
2033	225	225.0
2034	230	230.0
2035	235	235.0
2036	240	240.0
2037	245	245.0
2038	250	250.0
2039	255	255.0
2040	260	260.0
2041	265	265.0
2042	270	270.0
2043	275	275.0
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2048	300	300.0
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2059	355	355.0
2060	360	360.0
2061	365	365.0
2062	370	370.0
2063	375	375.0
2064	380	380.0
2065	385	385.0
2066	390	390.0
2067	395	395.0
2068	400	400.0
2069	405	405.0
2070	410	410.0
2071	415	415.0
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2073	425	425.0
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2075	435	435.0
2076	440	440.0
2077	445	445.0
2078	450	450.0
2079	455	455.0
2080	460	460.0
2081	465	465.0
2082	470	470.0
2083	475	475.0
2084	480	480.0
2085	485	485.0
2086	490	490.0
2087	495	495.0
2088	500	500.0
2089	505	505.0
2090	510	510.0
2091	515	515.0
2092	520	520.0
2093	525	525.0
2094	530	530.0
2095	535	535.0
2096	540	540.0
2097	545	545.0
2098	550	550.0
2099	555	555.0
2100		

de Autoprodukt





EVEN SO...
WHEN YOU
COUN SMILED
AT ME AND
SPOILED ME, I
WAS REALLY
HAPPY.

THERE ARE
THINGS ONE
WANTS TO
PROTECT
EVEN IF IT
MEANS SACRI-
FICING YOUR
OWN SELF.

TELL
YOUR
GIRL
THIS

TELL
HER
SORRY...

ONE DAY
I WANT
HER TO
REAL LOVE

SO

WOW... YOU
MANAGED
TO DEFEAT
OSE

OH!!!



Sorath

JUST AS
YOUR NAME
SUGGESTS,
THE ONE WHO
CALLS FORTH
THE END OF
THE WORLD IS
ABOUT TO
ARRIVE...

Eteurou
Goron?!



WAIT
GORON!!

BUT
HELL...

ARE YOU
GORON?
THAT
GIANT
GUY, WAS
IT THAT
THING HE
SAW?

AFTER
THAT GIANT
GUY OPENED I
DON'T NEED
TO BE
AFRAID OF
ANYONE'S
POWER.





YOUR
DELUSIONS
FROM YOUR
DISTANT
PAST ARE
HELPERING
YOU.

IF YOU LET
ME SWEET-
TALK YOU
AGAIN AND
APPROACH
ME ANY
FURTHER,

YOU
WILL DIE
AGAIN,
TOR-
CHAN.



I see
that girl



TO SWALLOW
EVERYTHING
IN THE
WORLD... THIS
IS THAT MAN'S
DEAREST
WISH.

NOW THE
GORE TO
THE
OTHER
SIDE THAT
USED TO
BE
SEALED
IS OPEN

HIGH-RANKING
MAGICAL
SONGS CAN
NOW FREELY
PASS BACK
AND FORTH



I WILL
FIND...

THAT
POOR
KYOGA.

AND
BEFORE
THAT
TIME
COMES...

I WILL
SEVER
THOSE
BONES OF
ETERNAL
SILENCE AND
SUFFERING!



KYOGA
IS
KYOGA
STILL
ALIVE?

W-WHAT?
TELL
ME!!



NOBLE,
TOO... DO
YOU KNOW
WHAT HAP-
PENED TO
MYSTERY
GARDEN?



DID YOU
SEE
KYOGA
?

ALTHOUGH
THIS TIME
I'LL HOLD
YOUR NECK
BEFORE
THAT...

I'LL TELL
YOU IF YOU
MANAGE TO
KILL ME
GARAN,
SOBATO

**GARAN
!!!**

AERANDRIA

THE LIGHT AND HEART AND PAIN OF A LOST LOVE

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Lacaille :SCANNER

Mari :TRANSLATOR

Lacaille :PROOFREADER

Mya :EDITORS

Lacaille :QUALITY CHECK

What kind of Kadri Yulmingshe would it be without someone getting their head blown off in a most spectacular way ? XD

- Lacaille



The Secret Age

Chapter 13







Noda.

Where in the world are you?

"DAILY PROGRESS, PASTY SHOULD BE I LIE."

"CLOSE MY HEART AND MORE TO DIE."

IN MY EYE..."

Kuprin

No I can do anything, but not be with you.

"STICK A THOUSAND NEEDLES"

You know, Kuprin, I cannot betray him.



I will not
be to
Goron

BUT
YOU
LIED.



EVERY-
THING.

EVERYTHING
WAS A LIE.

YOU
KILLED ME,
SORATO..!





DOES
IT
HURT?

BUT OF COURSE,
THE HEAL-
ING POWERS
OF THAT
DEMON
CANNOT BE
TRUSTED



Yes,
Humbro
no, Geron
stabbed
me!!



SHHHH!!

SHHHH
HAS
VERY
GOOD AT
HIDE-
ING



THE
MORE
YOU GET
TO KNOW
THIS
WORLD,
EVEN
YOU WILL
CHANGE.
SORITO.

I WILL KEEP
AN EYE ON
YOU FROM
NOW ON,
TOO

RELAX

WOV'T YOU
GIVE YOUR
BROTHER
ANOTHER
CHANCE,
MESH?

I ALREADY
SAID WHY
SHHHH
WANTED TO
PROTECT YOU
SO MUCH



I UNDER-
STAND,
SANEKU!

I PROMISE
TO FUL-
FILL YOUR
DREAM!

WOULD
MY BECOME
A GOD OF
DESTRUC-
TION OR
SOMETHING
ENTIRELY
DIFFERENT.

BEFORE YOU
CHOOSE FOR
THE WORLD,
I WANT YOU
TO TRY AND
TRUST IN
ME AGAIN.

OH,
YES!



OH, YOU
MEAN
THAT?

YOU CAN
SEE IT
FROM
HERE, TOO.

WHAT
ABOUT THE
TOWER -
EVERYDAY?
WHAT
ABOUT
THAT GAP
THAT
OPENED
ABOVE IT?



THAT GEP
CONNECTS TO HELL. MY OLD
MAINTS. THE
ACCURSED
DWELLING OF
MY UGLY AND
MEAN DEATH-
GEN...

I CAN
SEE HIGH-
RANKED
DEMONS
BURSTING
OUT OF IT.



FOR NOW,
ONLY
STRONG
ONES CAN
PASS

THROUGH
THE GEP,
BUT...

WHEN THE
GATEWAY
IS COM-
PLETE
NUMEROUS
DEMONS
WILL COME
FLOODING...

IT WILL
TRULY BE
THE END
OF THIS
WORLD



ON EARTH,
THE DEMONS
ARE ALREADY
ACTIVELY
PERSONS, SO
MANY TERRIBLE
ACCIDENTS ARE
HAPPENING.



THE
END...

OF
THIS
WORLD!

THE ONE
WHO USED
THE "333-
QUEST" AND
MADE THAT
HAPPEN
WAS HIM,
STANBACH!

AND FOR
SPEEDING
UP THE AP-
PEARANCE
OF BACON
KIMCHIKKA,
THE GREAT
KING OF
TERROR.

EVERY-
THING
THOSE GUYS
HAVE DONE
UNTIL NOW
WAS FOR
THE SAME
OF SATISFY-
ING SACRI-
FICES TO
OPEN THAT
GOD.

YES AND
THERE'S
HER
STRONG
SPIRITUAL
POWER TO
CONSIDER,
TOO.

I
THINK

SO THEY
WERE AFTER
MONIKA
BECAUSE
THEY WANTED
HER AS A
TRIBUTE TO
THE BACON!





There's no way
he would call
that thing his
father, when he
still adores it!

THIS IS
NOT FOR
CHILDREN!
GO TO YOUR
ROOM AND
DO YOUR
HOMEWORK!

No... That
was not
the real
Garden!



YOU
ALWAYS
TREAT
ME LIKE
A KID!

WHAT'S
GOING
WITH
YOU?!

YOU GOT
HURT SO
BADLY... AND
THERE'S SUCH
A HUGE SCARY
GAP IN THE SKY,
AND YOU'RE
STILL KEEPING
SECRETS
FROM ME?!



...!!

did you
but what
Sawo said
that.

MURDER
AND
ACCIDENTS
ARE HAPPENING ALL
OVER THE
COUNTRY, SO
THE WHOLE
OF JAPAN IS
IN CHAOS.

IT WAS
ANNOUNCED
THAT FOR
THE TIME
BEING, ALL
SCHOOLS
ARE
CLOSED.

TO
SCHOOL,
OF
COURSE!

WHERE
ARE YOU
GOING,
NONO?!

I'M
SUPER-
LATE.
THANKS
TO YOU!

S-BUT IT?!

NOW GO TO
YOUR ROOM
AND KEEP
QUIET,
NONO?!

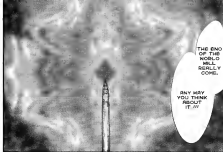
YOU'RE NOT
EVEN MY
FATHER OR
ANYTHING.
SCRAW! I
HATE YOU!

WHAT
THEY?

YOU NEVER
TELL ME
ANYTHING,
BUT YOU
ORDER ME
AROUND ALL
THE TIME!
YOU'VE
HOBSELEY!







THE END
OF THE
WORLD
WILL
REALLY
COME.

ANYWAY
YOU THINK
ABOUT
IT, *IN*



KYOGA...

ARE YOU
SUFFER-
ING?



JUST A
LITTLE
LONGER...
AND I WILL
RELEASE
YOU



AND IN
THAT
MOMENT, *I*

IF I MANAGE
TO LURE OUT
MY FATHER,
HE WILL FERO
ON THE
WORLD AND
DESTROY IT.



I'M

HAPPY...
YOU
CAME



DO YOU
RECOGNIZE
ME,
KIDDER?

PLEASE...
TELL ME
YOU DO.



?!
KIDDER?



SODA
TO...

I
LOVE
YOU...







MY
WOUND,
SHIN, IT

YOU ARE
STUPID!
AREN'T
YOU,?

Sorato
!!

I will make
you taste
the pain in
my left eye
and the self-
faring of
those you
betrayed!!

I will show
you a tid
of resent-
ment and
unworthiness!!



WORTHY

SHIN



DID
YOUR
WOUND
OPEN
?

SHIN
!!!

You will
pay with
the blood of
those you
love!!





OH,
ANOTHER
CURSED
DUKE OF
HELL?

HERE

OH ARE YOU
TELLING ME
YOU DIDN'T
NOTICE IT
WHILE YOU
WERE
TREATING
THE MOUND?





ARE YOU
SUGGESTING
I LEFT IT
THERE ON
PURPOSE?



LEITH!

IT'S JUST
SO TINY
THAT I
COMPLETELY
MISSED ITS
PRESENCE.
THAT'S ALL



REDA!

YOU KEEP
QUIET,
SORATO.



SHE HAD A
FALLING
OUT WITH
HER KING,
SO SHE
COULDN'T-

YOU'RE
TOO
NAIVE,
SORATO!

THIS TINY
GEMIN'S PRE-
SENCE MAY HAVE
LEAKED OUT OF
THE BARRIER
AND ALERTED
THE ENEMY TO
OUR LOCATION!



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I'M
SUSPICIOUS
OF
YOU
ARE
WELL?

IN
THIS
LIVE
THIS, HE
MUST
LATE!

THIS IS
NO TIME
FOR
GUAR-
DING
BETWEEN
ALLIES?



BUT... I
DON'T
THINK YOU
LOVE THIS
WORLD

I WANT TO
PROTECT
THIS
WORLD
BECAUSE
HE LOVED
IT

SOMEONE
SHOWED ME
EVERYTHING...
THE FOOLISH-
NESS OF THIS
WORLD,
ITS FLEETING
TENDRENESS...



!

My
reason
to protect
this
world?

WHAT
EXACTLY
IS YOUR
REASON FOR
PROTECTING
THIS WORLD?



NONOH!
MY
LEAVING!
GET
READY!

SOBOTO
PI N-NOH
ARE YOU
SORRY?

They
may have
discovered
the place
already.

I must
help
Nonoha!



NONOHA
PIII

AND

DO YOU
BURN AWAY
FROM HOME,
NOMAD-
SCHOOL?

WELL...

OF
COURSE
MY
GRAND-
FATHER
SAID I
RECEIVED
THE
SECOND
CHARAC-
TER OF
GORN-
SCHOOL'S
NAME.

BY THE
WAY,
DOES
THE
CHARAC-
TER FOR
YOUR
NAME
COME
FROM—

IT IS,
BUT...

The
real story
from
before

YOU SEE
THAT SINCE I'M
THE DAUGHTER
OF THE HOUSE'S
HEAD, GORN-
SCHOOL, I HAVE
POWER OVER THE
KARASAKA
ESTATE AND I'M
ALWAYS WELCOME
TO VISIT.

ISN'T
THAT
RIGHT,
GORN-
SCHOOL?



So many red spider legs,

blowing
throughout
the whole
year... the
mysterious
and so
beautiful
the almost
sunny

It's as
if he
traveled
through
time into
the age
when my
father
lived here



But

why is
that I feel
so calm in
this house
as if some-
thing is
protecting
me here

And yet
that
garden

it's
frightening
despite its
beauty!



IF YOU
LIKE, I
COULD TELL
YOU SOME
OF THE OLD
STORIES MY
GRAND-
FATHER TOLD

WELL, LEAVING
YOU HERE
FOR ONE
NIGHT IS
NOT A PROBLEM



WHILE HE
LOOKS AT THE
PICTURES OF
GABRIEL-SAMA,
SORATO-SAMA
AND GIGON-
SAMA'S PARENTS
MYOBI-SAMA
WHO ALL USED
TO LIVE IN THIS
MANSION.



And the most
terrifying
of all are
these
rooms,

where it's
said some
explosion
occurred!



He's
beautiful
and seems
so gentle

This is
my father
Kamachika
Ogino



But... to
me, she
looks so in
love! "The
only..."

But

Why did he
have me
with neither
Leth and not
with this
woman?
Maybe he
didn't love
her?



And
maybe
that is his
funner,
"Ayano-
san?"

YES
YES

HAVE A
SAFE
TRIP

TAKE
CARE
OF
THE
BEST!

I'M
GOING
OUT
THERE
LITTLE
KNOT!

NOW I
UNDER-
STAND...

HE'S KEEPING
AN EYE ON
YOU SO THAT
YOU DON'T
DO ANYTHING
EVIL ANY-
MORE, DEMON

YOU
REALLY
DON'T
TRUST
ME, DO YOU

OF
COURSE
I DON'T !

I don't
under-
stand

It's like
Sora is
choosing
after
someone
else
wings that
he sees
in me...

Did he
leave me
because
he wanted
to?

What am
I, really?



ALTHOUGH I ENJOYED THOROUGHLY THE LIFE OF AN EXPECTING MOTHER!

Are you telling the pregnant me to wait?



I'M NOBODY'S BIRTH MOTHER, SUCH AS I MAY BE

BUT WELL

FOR ALL THE MILENNIUMS OF MY LIFE, I NEVER EVEN IMAGINED I WOULD EXPERIENCE THE PAIN OF GIVING BIRTH WITH MY OWN BODY



AND NOBODY TOLD ME THAT EXCESSIVE INTAKE OF FATS AND INCREASED WEIGHT WILL CAUSE COMPLICATIONS DURING BIRTH



HEL OF ALL THE CEM—
DAMN!! WHO DO YOU THINK I AM??

YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME...

WHAT THE HELL? WHY DO I HAVE TO GO THROUGH THIS??



SHUT UP ALREADY AND CONCENTRATE!

I'M THE DUKE OF HELL MEHNS-
TOOOOOOORR
BRRRR-
BRRRRH!!!



I should
have
squashed
this puny
lump of
meat!!

you've got to be
kidding me! Why do I have
to come in
early and show
myself in this
wily state to
give birth to
some mere
human life!!



I'll
destroy
it!!



Some puny
human child -
doing this to
me, a Duke
of Hell!!

down!!



AAAAA AAAAAH!!!
COME OUT
OF MY
STOMACH
THIS
INSTANT.
YOU
HUMAN!!!

HOW
LONG
ARE YOU
GOING
TO LAZE
AROUND IN
THERE??

COME ON
OUT AL-
READY!
SHITTY
DEATH!

IF
YOU KEEP
SPOILING
THEM AND
FOODING
THEM WELL,
THEY'LL
KEEP YOU
ROUND THEIR
LITTLE
FINGER.

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
IT...

ARE YOU TELL-
ING ME A DEMON
CHANGED AFTER
HE EXPERIENCED
HUMAN DEATH?

?!

WHAT
THE..??

THAT'S
WHAT
"SORATH" IS.
AFTER ALL.

ONLY
WHEN ALL
OF YOU
COME TO-
GETHER,
YOU WILL
BE COM-
PLETE.

YOU
OF ALL
CENTURIES
CAN'T UN-
DER-
STAND IT.

ALL OF YOU
DON'T EVEN
HELP-
HUMANES YOU
ALL LACK
SOME THING..!!



IT'S TIME
TO SAY
GOOD-
BYE



DON'T
CALL ME
THAT SO
CASUALLY!

WELL,
THIS IS
NOT THE
TIME TO
GIBBER.

THE
HUMAN
PLAY-
POUTING
IS OVER



LONG
TIME NO
SEE.





IF YOU
WANT TO
ESCAPE
FROM
SCARLETT'S
SPELL...
BECOME
MINE

DUKE
REMS-
TOD-
LES

BY CRUISE

HEHE!

AND AS
FIRST
PROOF
OF YOUR
LOYALTY
TO ME



WILL
THIS
DO—

THAT
WAS
QUICK



RIGHT!

THANK
YOU!



WENT
OTHER
PLACE
DID SHE
MOVE...

THE
HOM-
CHICK
ESTATE
-P



OH! MY
GOD! ISN'T
IN ANY OF
HIS
FRIENDS'
HOUSES?

WHERE
COULD
THAT
STUPID
GIRL GO?



The house
was only
the end!

WHAT?/
AN
ACCIDENT
P!!!

HEY,
YOUR
MATHS
MAYBE
YOU'RE
GONNA

WHAT THE
HELL?/
SHUT YOUR
TRAP OR
I'LL KILL
YOU!

What's
happening?/
Everyone's
acting weird!
This is not
normal!



NO, IT
CAN'T
BE...



HMP

SOBATO'S
VOICE



A
LIGHT



OH, O

DEEN-DEEN,
WHO DO
YOU



Nanoha
?!!!



**RAN-
SANP!**

EH...



It's as if
some-thing
called me
here.

Ah, I was
supposed
to be
control of
this place!

HOLD
ON!!

**RAN-
SANP!!!**

WHAT
ARE YOU
COMING
HERE!!



SCARED?



THERE'S NOTHING
TO BE
SCARED OF.

BOTH LIFE AND
DEATH ARE
NATURAL
STATES
FOR EVERY
HUMAN.



YOU
ARE?

PAPA?



YES, YOUR
DEAR PAPA
KIMICHA
GADAN

AND
YOUR
MAMA
LEITH

WE CAME TO
TAKE YOU
WITH US, OUR
BELOVED
MOMOHA...

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Mari :TRANSLATOR

Lacaille :PROOFREADER

Mya :EDITORS

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Chapter 14

WHY
DIDN'T HE
WRITE
A LETTER?

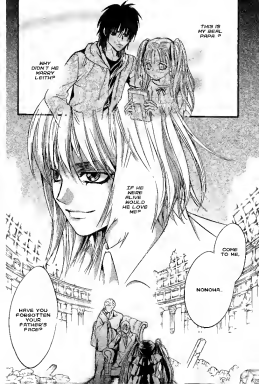
THIS IS
MY REAL
PAPA!

IF HE
WERE
ALIVE
WOULD
HE LOVE
ME?

COME
TO ME.

MONOM.

HAVE YOU
FORGOTTEN
YOUR
FATHER'S
FACE?





SORATO
FOOLED
YOU
AGAIN.

POOR
THING.

THAT'S
WHY HE
DRESSED
ME AS
HIS REAL
DAUGHTER.

SORATO
SAID MY
FATHER IS
DEAD.

YOU
LIE...

I'M STILL
ALIVE AS
YOU CAN
SEE.

ALTHOUGH
IN TRUTH,

IT WAS
SORATO
WHO
KILLED
ME.



SORATO
KID-
NAPPED
LEITH
AND
FLED

SORATO
STOLE MY
FRIENDS
FROM ME

MY SERVANT
LEITH TOOK
PITY ON
MY BROKEN
HEART AND
CONTROLLED
ME WHEN
SHE BECAME
PREGNANT
WITH MY CHILD

HE
HATED ME
EVER SINCE
HE HAD
CHILDREN.
HE HATED
ME.



WHAT
SORATO
LOVES IS THE
GIRL CALLED
'NOEL' WHO'S
INSIDE OF
YOU

NO...!!

HE
REALLY
LOVED
YOU! AND
ME TOO-







This is
a dirt
corner... a
forced
move by
me!!

HAH

HE CAN'T
GET
CLOSED /
SOME-
THING
PUSHES
US
BACK!!

STOP!!

DON'T
TOUGH
THAT!

Don't tell
me...
Narcole is
inside!!

Rachin

so soon to

??!



The same
I heard
Radio
voice

What in the
world is
happen-
ing?!

!

Why is the
old church
suddenly in
ruins?!

I can't
because
I can't
feel any
magic

!

How
come?!



The magic barrier Luffy made has disappeared!!



WHY DID YOU
PERSIST TO
YOUR
LIFE!
SHE
DIED FOR
ME!!

WHO DID
THIS TO
YOU??!!
WHY DID
YOU HOLD ON?



And in
her head
too?!!

The
wound

her
heart
!!

She cannot
possibly be
alive with
such
wounds!!

DON'T
DIE!!

WHO DID
THIS TO
YOU?



That
blood
is...?



YES...
LEITH...

THAT
MAN DID
THIS



HE TOLD
LEITH TO
FINISH
ME...

HE SAID
IT WAS
PROOF
OF HIS
RETRIBUTION
FOR HIS
DEATH...

THAT...
DIRECTOR
STRAUSS
HAD HE
KILLED...
THE ONE
YOU
CALLED
SHAN?



DO YOU
UNDER-
STAND
THE IM-
POR-
TANCE?



I WON'T BE
ABLE TO
RETAIN THE
SHAPE OF
A HUMAN
ANYMORE...

LOOKS
LIKE IT
WAS NO
ORDINARY
BULLET...

IT'S
EATING ME
FROM THE
INSIDE...



IT'S ALL
RIGHT...

RESH!!!



NOW
I WILL
FINALLY
MEET
SAMUEL

I REALIZED
THE ONLY
WAY WAS TO
RETURN TO
WHAT WE
WERE
BEFORE
FOR ALL
OF US TO
BECOME
ONE
"SOBATH"

AFTER WANDER-
ING THROUGH
TIME FOR OVER
A CENTURY, I
REALIZED THAT
WHAT SAMUEL
WAS SEARCHING
FOR, A WAY TO
SAVE THE
HUMAN, DOES
NOT EXIST...



THAT GOD OF
DESTRUCTION,
LEAVING THE
WORLD TO
NON-EXISTENCE
WITH ITS ANCIENT
POWER. THAT'S
WHAT THE
REASON FOR
OUR EXISTENCE
SHOULD HAVE
BEEN...

I'M "KISH."
THERE'S
"SAMUEL"
AND "KIM."
AND YOUR
NAME IS
"TAM!"

WHEN THE
FOUR OF US
TRULY BECOME
ONE, THAT
POWER WILL BE
INVOKED FOR
THE FIRST
TIME...



BECAUSE
A SINGLE
RAY OF
LIGHT
PIERCED
IT.

BUT...
EVEN
THOUGH
HE USED
TO BE ONE
ENTITY,
HE WERE
SEPA-
RATED
RIGHT
AFTER ITS
BIRTH...



HE THEN
HIMSELF
AT THE
"GODDATH,"
CREATED A
CERTAIN OF
GOOD POWER.
IT, THEN
SPLIT IT IN
PARTS AND
THUS SERVED
THE WORLD.

AND THAT
WAS
"SAMUEL."

HE WAS AN
EMBASSY OF
THE HEAVENS
WHICH HAD
ORDERED THE
BIRTH OF THE
GOD OF DE-
STRUCTION
FOR A LONG
TIME.

THANKS TO
SAMUCHI AND
THE RELIGIOUS
ORDER HE
SULT. I WISHED
TO LIVE AS A
HUMAN BEING,
GUIDED BY
SAMUCHI'S LIGHT.

HE WHO
USED TO
BE ONE
EVE. SAMUCHI
MEANT TO
DESTROY
THE WORLD.

OS-
TENDED
SEPA-
RATE
INDIVIDU-
ALITIES...

WHEN HE
REALIZED
WHAT KAM-
CHIKA WAS
PLOTING
AND WERE
ABOUT TO
FLIES OUR
SAFE-
HOUSE TO
BECOME
THE
CRADLE OF THE GREAT
EARTH-
QUAKE...

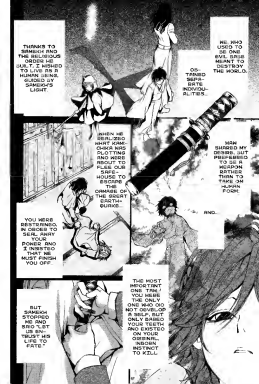
NOW
SHEDD MY
DRESS, BUT
PREFERRED
TO BE A
WEAPON
RATHER
THAN TO
TAKE ON
HUMAN
FORM.

AND...

YOU WERE
DETERMINED
IN ORDER TO
SEAL AWAY
YOUR
POWER AND
I INTENDED
THAT HE
MUST FINISH
YOU OFF.

THE MOST
IMPORTANT
ONE TAN /
YOU WERE
THE ONLY
ONE WHO DID
NOT DEVELOP
A SELF, BUT
ONLY SAMUCHI
YOUR TEETH
AND EXISTED
ON YOUR
ORIGINAL,
INBORN
INSTINCT TO KILL.

BUT
SAMUCHI
STOPPED
HE AND
SAID "LET
US EN-
TRUST HIS
LIFE TO
FATE."



HEY,
BORATO

I SAID
THAT I
DON'T
THINK YOU
LOVE THIS
WORLD

BUT
THEN
WHAT IS
IT THAT
YOU'RE
FIGHTING
FOR?

I remem-
ber...

I could
hear
Someday's
voice

And then,
when
Gyron
saved me,
was the
first time
I ever
thought

YES,
I...

BUT
EVEN SO,
I DON'T
WANT TO
DESTROY IT
BECAUSE

I KNOW
THIS
WORLD IS
FULL OF
FILTH AND
DESPAIR

I'm afraid
of dying I
want to
live !!



ONCE,
GREEN—
AND KINOGA—

AND NOELA
GAVE ME
SOMETHING—
AN EGG—
PLACEABLE
WARM, TINY
LIGHT AM

I lost
people
I love
in it.

I want to
protect the
world they
live in I
want to
believe in it

Ami no

Book



then I can
protect it
with my
whole body
and soul

Nanohin
laughs,
cries,
rums,
talks...

Yes, that's
all I need
IF Nanohin
cries at
this world



I SEE...

IT'S NOT
SO BAD
TO GIVE
YOUR LIFE
FOR IT...

YOU MUST
BE SIGHT
ONCE, WE WERE
MESS LUMPS OF
REALITY, AND
NOW THIS IS
WHAT WE WERE
SEARCHING
FOR WHEN WE
POSTERNO TO
BE HUMAN



I'M
FINE...

REALLY?



HOW
COULD HE
LEAVE
ALONE
SOMEONE
AS UNBELI-
VABLE AS YOU

HE...
BRO
WITH...

AND
BROOK...
ARE
ALWAYS
WITH YOU



LOVE THEM

THANK
YOU...

Please...
don't forget
about
something
about our
feelings

WOM

AND
GOSH...

MY
PRECIOUS
FAMILY /
MY
FRIENDS!

because
we
entrust
you with
this
power...





BUT...

I DON'T KNOW HIS
CONTACT INFO AND I
CAN'T DO ANYTHING
ABOUT IT WHEN I'M
SO BUSY...

THAT JOB
IS DONE
AND OVER
AND YOUR
CONTRACT
WITH THAT
COMPANY IS
ALSO OVER.
RIGHT?



TOMMY

ARE YOU
STILL GOING
ON ABOUT
THAT? STOP
ALREADY!
FORGET
ABOUT THAT
DIRECTOR!

DO YOU
REALIZE
WHAT A
SCANDAL
COULD GO
TO YOUR
CAREER
NOW?



Oh
Director
Sturges
is on TV

BESIDES, HIS
BAD REPUTATION
WITH WOMEN IS
LEGENDARY!

THE MEDIA
IS THUNDERING
WITH STORIES
ABOUT LOVERS
AND ILLEGITIMATE
CHILDREN. HE'S
JUST A MASS
HOURGE GOING
THROUGH!



WHO'RE YOU?

HEY, YOU ARE YOU THE SUSPICIOUS PERSON LIVING IN THESE RUINS?



KINOSHO
SOMATO

THIS PLACE
HAS BEEN
EMPTY FOR
A PRETTY
LONG TIME.
SO THE
REPORTS
ABOUT
OCCUPANTS
WERE TRUE.



Oh, yes
now that
talking
barnier is
gone...

WHAT...?

She how could
she run away
from me while
she still has
that necklace?

WHO'S
YOUR
NAME?
WHAT ARE
YOU
DOING
HERE?



They were
kidnapped
by daughter
by a person
named
"Kishiro
Sonata."

Etcetera ?
On TV?
Why? that
TV set
here?

My
darling
lover...

and my
daughter
Noroha.





I finally found them and got them back, but the kidnapper is still at large.

Noroshi?!!
Lettell!

Gen...
Efourou's daughter?



This is a picture of the wanted suspect.



STANBOL-
BORN'S
DAUGHTER...
A CRIM-
INAL, MY

WISHED...
ISN'T
THAT
SOCIETY?

WHAT
IN THE
WORLD, MY





HAHAHA



YOUR
DEAD BODY
IS JUST AS
ACCEPTABLE
FOR US.



YOU
LITTLE--
WHAT
THE-- PY

Was that on
diction ?

No...

Valentin
Hamon ?

I didn't put
that much
force in
that shove.

YOU
DID-
TARDY

WHAT
HAVE
YOU
DONE??

Oh,
no..!!

Spin in a
trap..!!

HE'S
DENSE!!

It was
a trap!!

YOU BLE-
DENSE!!



IS
THAT
YOU,
TOUP?



I SAW
THE
BROAD-
CENT
KURT IN
THE
WORLD
IS UNO-
PENNER?

WHY YOU
DIDNT
TELL
KURT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?

DO
NOT LET
KISHIRO
SORATO
ESCAPE
!!

I had
finally
found a
place to
belong to
and he's
taking it
from me



He stole
Monika
and Luffy
and made
me start
to be a
criminal

Is this your
revenge,
Garan?!!



He told the girl that her father was dead and raised her until now.

He is accused of kidnapping the daughter of Etouka Akasaka, popularly known as Etourou, managing director of the company "Godlike."

The suspect, Kishiro Sorato, killed a police officer who was sent to question him.



I caught a glimpse of Etourou-sensei real close.

Sorato is probably innocent.

No.

I WILL CONTACT YOU AGAIN !

I UNDER-
STAND.

TELL ME EVERY-
THING.
TRUST ME !



HEY, PAPA,
WHAT'S GOING ON?

I HAVE
TO GO TO SCHOOL...

Eh...um...
can I? What
in the world
are you
trying to
do?



DON'T THINK
OF ANYTHING
JUST OF
HAPPY THINGS.
ALL RIGHT,
NONCH?P

WHAT
SCHOOL?
NOW THAT
WE'VE
FINALLY
MET... EVEN
HANA LOITH
IS HERE.

DON'T YOU
WANT US
THREE TO
JUST LIVE
HAPPILY
TOGETHER.?



I
LOVE
YOU.

NONOHA...



ABOUT
NONOHA'S
ROOM, I
ISOLATED IT
FROM THE
OUTSIDE, TO
HEIGHTEN THE
SPIRITUAL
WEAVE TO THE
MEDIUM.



ARE YOU
ENDING ME
AS THE
PARENT
WHO GAVE
BIRTH TO
DEEP

WHAT
ARE YOU
PLANNING
TO DO
WITH ME? "



NOW THAT
I'M FINALLY
GO OF
SORATO,
PLAYING
FAMILY WITH
HIM IS THE
LAST THING
I WANT TO
DO

I DON'T
KNOW
WHAT
YOU'RE
AFRAID
OF.

BUT MY HEART
IS MADE OF
THE DARK-
NESS DEEPER
THAN THE
PITS OF HELL.
EVER SINCE I
CAME INTO
EXISTENCE

MY
ONLY
CON-
GRIAN IS...



IF YOU WILL
BE RLY
REMOVE THIS
ADORNABLE
NECKLACE
FROM ME,

SAD BU-
SINESS



THEN HE
JUST HAVE
TO SUMMON
HIM AND
MAKE HIM
SINCE THE
CONTRACT.

THE ONE WHO
SUMMONED
YOU USED
YOU AND MADE
YOU A SLAVE
HERE MY
FATHER,

BORN
SOMEONE.

GOOD,
THAT AT-
TITUDE'S
MORE FIT-
TING FOR
A DEMON.



HE'S A
KING
NOW.



YOUR
FATHER
♪

NOWHERE,
HE DOESN'T
SHOW HIM-
SELF SO
EASILY.



THE RAP OVER
THE ZIGZAGGY
WILL DEFINITELY
SUMMON AND
SUMMON THE
KING AN.



VERY SOON,
HE IS GOING
TO MAKE AN
APPEARANCE
ON EARTH.



YES.

UNTE, NOW
HIS POWER
WAS WAY TOO
GREAT AND
HE DIDN'T
EVEN NOTICE
MY EXISTENCE,
JUST LIKE
BEFORE.

BUT THIS
TIME,
I WON'T
LET HIM
IGNORE ME.



THE
RESENTMENT,
TERROR AND
AGONYING
SCREAMS OF
PEOPLE ALL
AROUND THE
WORLD ARE A
SWEET SACRI-
FICE, INVITING
THE DEMONS...

THE ZIGGURAT
IS A SPIRITUAL
GATE, A GIGANT
BATTERY
CONNECTING
THIS WORLD
AND HELL.



I WILL BRING
MY FATHER
APPEAR
BEFORE ME.

NOW, THE
GREATEST
TOWN-
CRAO...



IS IN MY
HANDS

THAT'S THE
HORNED GIRL
"NORON,"
BEARING THE
SOUL OF MY
FATHER'S
BELOVED
LITTLE
SISTER
NOELA.

"PERVERSE
MADON"

A CENTURY
AGO, THE
SOUL HE
TOOK WAS
KYORA. HE
HAD MAD
WITH RAGE
THAT IT
WASNT
NOEL.

SO HE MADE
KYORA THE
"PERVERSE
MADON"



AN
ANCIENT
CURSE

IN ORDER TO
CONTROL THE
POWER THAT
WAS WAY TOO
GREAT TO
CONTROL,
FATHER
SEALED ABOUT
HALF OF THE
MAGICAL
POWERS OF
THE GREAT
KING OF
TERROR

TO CLOSE THE
SEAL ON THE
GATE, HE USED
THE SOUL OF A
LIVING, VERY
POWERFUL
MIND AND
THAT'S THE
"REVERSE
WIDEN"

FOR ALL
ETERNITY,
SHE WILL SHED
BLOOD IN
AGONY, ACTING
AS A HUMAN
WHEEL
FOREVER
ENDURING THE
TORTURES
OF HELL...

THAT'S
WHAT
KIYORA
IS NOW

AND YOU
WANT TO
SAVE
HER?



DOES IT BOTHER
YOUR SENTI-
MENTS
HAVE CHANGED
WILE YOU
WERE
LIVING
YOUR COM-
FORTABLE
LIFE...

WITH
SCIENTO...
AND RUNTY
HUMANS!



BULL-
SHIT.



WHAT
EXACTLY
ARE YOU
UP TO?



PLAYING
FAIRLY AND
PRETENDING
TO BE HUMAN
ARE GAMES,
MORE MOMENTS
IN MY LONG
LIFE.

I'M THE
CASE OF
HELL RE-
PHOTO-
GRAPH.
REMEMBER?

I'M AL-
READY
SETTING
THRO OF
THE BODY.



HE-HEH...
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO THAT



WHO CARES
ABOUT
SOOTY OR
NONOHA?



W-WHAT
IS THIS
SUCK-
BOOM!

IF YOU
HEH, I WILL
SNAP THEIR
NECKS WITH
ONE FINGER



NO,
SORRY TO IN-
VOLVE YOU...

SORRY, I
COULDN'T
SLIP OUT
SOONER...



KISHIRO-
SAN? THIS
MAYBE!!

TOA!!!



HEY! LOOK
AT THAT
CLOUD!!!

WHY?
WHAT ARE
THESE
VIBRA-
TIONS??

REALLY??
LOOK AT
THE SKY
ABOVE THE
ZIGURAT!!!

What?!!



THIS!

PR

IT'S
BEEN A
LONG TIME,
BURN!

AERANDRIA

THE DARK ROAD HOME ROAD PROJECT EDITION

liki no Ki Volume 05 Part 2 Chapter 14

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On page 31, were they all AGE stockings, Leth? XD

- Lacaille





Chapter 15



WHAT'S
THIS
BUMBLE
IN THE
GROUND
...?!!

THE
TOWER!!

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TWO!!
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UN-
BELIEV-
ABLE...

YOU HAD
ENOUGH
Talent TO
SUSION ME
HERE...



GABAN...



I WAS
WAITING
FOR THIS
DAY!!

OH
FATHER!!!



HAH!!!



STAND
BACK!!



DIDN'T
TODAY HAVE
YOU ALL
RIGHT??



LEITH
!!!



OH,

IT'S
YOU!



YOU'RE STILL
SQUISHING
AROUND, SHIP
WHAT A
DISGRACE FOR
ONE MEN-
TOPHELES.

ALTHOUGH
I DID HEAR
YOU WERE
QUITE
CUNNING AS
SOMETHING'S
UNDERLINE.

WHAT
THEN?

WELL,
YOU TAKE
REVENGE
ON ME?
LIKE
YOU DID A
CENTURY
AGO?

THAT'S
BECAUSE
SORATO
TOOK YOUR
"SINE OF
THE BEAST."

SO IF YOU
COULD
SOMEHOW
CANCEL
THAT CON-
TRACT...

OF COURSE,
GIVING YOU
BACK TO
SORATO
WOULD BE
USELESS.

SO WHAT
TO DO
WITH
YOUR

I HAVEN'T
FORGOT-
TEN YOUR
DE-
TRAIL...

MOSTLY
BECAUSE I
OBTAINED
THIS
POWER
BECAUSE
OF IT.

AS...
THOUGH
SIGHT
NOW

IT'S MORE
IMPOR-
TANT TO
KNOW



WHAT
YOU'RE
LEaving
IN THAT
OCCUPANCY
ROOM

WHY IS IT
DESIGNED IN
SUCH A WAY
THAT ONLY
YOU MAY ENTER IT?



THE
DEVIL'S
CHILD.



OUT OF
THE WAY!!!



T-
THAT'S-



THE
ONE WHO
CARRIES
NOELA'S
SOUL...

YOU'VE
CAPTURED
THAT
GIRL.



WHAT?



REMOVE
THE DEAL
THIS IN-
STANT!
GADAM!



IN ORDER
TO ANNIHILATE
NOELA'S
SOUL THAT'S
SLEEPING
DEEP, DEEP
INSIDE HER,
SHE NEEDS
SEVEN DAYS
OF PURIFICA-
TION!

AS PROOF,
I CAN TELL
YOU THAT
NOELA DIDN'T
ANNIHILATE
NO MATTER HOW
MUCH ANYONE
CALLED HER!



I... WILL
NOT!



THIS TIME,
I WILL BE
USEFUL TO
YOU AND
FOR THAT,
I WILL GIVE
HIM A
RESPECT-
FUL
RESURRECTION!!

THAT'S WHY
HE MUST
REVENTER
AND
SPRINT
POWERS
IN THE
OCTAGONAL
ROOM...

SHE MUST
BE ABLE TO
ENDURE IT
WHEN HE
DROPS INTO
HER DEEP-
EST CORE!



I SWEAR,
I WILL
SLASH
NOW, I
SWEAR
YOU,
FATHER...

I SURVIVED
THIS FAR...
ONLY BE-
CAUSE I
WANTED
YOU TO AC-
KNOW-THAT
HE IS



PLEASE,
BELIEVE
ME,
FATHER!!!



BEHOLD-
MYCT
MOLA...

SO YOU'RE
SAYING YOU
CAN DO
WHAT I
COULD NOT?

GAREN /



OOO-
TRINLY

I SWEAR
ON MY
LIFE..!!



WELL
SAID...

IN THAT
CASE, I'M
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO IT, MY
SON



WELL
AND YOU...

YOU
WANTED
FREE-
DOM, RIGHT?

YOU
DON'T
KNOW
YOUR
OWN
PLACE!



IF THE
PRESENT
OWNER OF
THE RING IS
GONE, THE
CONTRACT
WILL BE
DESTROYED
AUTOMATICALLY

FRESH
OPP
SORATO
WITH
THIS.

AFTER ALL,
IT'LL BE
SOMEWHAT
A PROBLEM
IF ALL THE
"SORATH" COME
TOGETHER,
NOW THAT
THEY'RE
FINALLY
SEPARATE

SINCE
LEITH
CANNOT
GIVE A
HAND
AGAINST
HER
MASTER

BE-
MEMBER
HELL!
I'LL WIN
AT ANY
COST







Kill Soreto
with my
own hands

The man
who stole
everything
from me...



IT'S
GONE
BY

WHAT
IN THE
WORLD
WAS IT
?

The one
who was
dearer to
me than
anyone.

The one I
trusted more
than anyone.



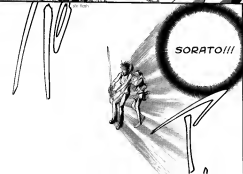
I'M
FINE

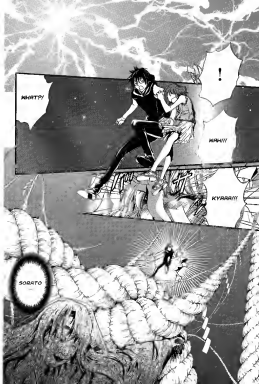
BUT I
CAN'T
STOP
SHAKING

DO
YOU
ALL
DON'T
TOWN?

And
therefore,
the one I hate
more than
anyone.







WHY??

!

WHY??

WHY??

SORRY





ARE YOU
KIYOMA
NIT

KIYOMA P



SA. TO P

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I'LL
SAVE
YOU
NOW!!!

KIYORIMU

Sorato...

you...

Sa-
ra-
to!!!

RA-1





IT'S NO
USE! IT'S
NOT EVEN
BLADE-
EDGE!



WHAT?

I
NEED A
BLADE!

N-NOT
FOR P



I'M
SORRY.



!



I MUST
ACCEPT THE
BLAME FOR
THOSE GELS'
REGRET,
SUFFERING
AND TERROR.

IT'S
ALL
RIGHT

THIS IS MY
SEN. EVEN IF
IT WAS UNDER
THE BARD'S
ORDER, I
KILLED DOZENS
OF PEOPLE. THIS
IS A BITTING
PUNISHMENT
FOR ME.



SEAL?

WHAT
IS IT?

AND
WITHOUT A
DISPLACE-
MENT, THIS
SEAL
CANNOT BE
UNDONE.

BESIDES,
ONLY SOME-
ONE WITH
MILIEU AND
SPIRITUAL
POWERS
ENOUGH
TO MINE CAN
TAKE MY
PLACE HERE.



MY WHOLE
BODY IS A
SEAL. I



SO IF THIS
SEAL IS
BROKEN AND
HE DOES NOT
MANAGE TO
CONTROL THAT
POWER EVERY-
THING ON
EARTH MAY BE
ERADICATED

A GIANT VORTEX
OF HATRED,
WORTHY OF THE
GREAT KING OF
TERROR. HE
FEARED THAT IT
WOULD DEVOUR
AND KILL HIM, SO
HE SEALED AWAY
ONE HALF OF
THAT POWER.

THAT DAY,
THE DRAGON
OBTAINED
POWER OF
DEMONS
WITH THAT
CONTRACT HE MADE.

YOU
UNDER-
STAND,
DON'T
YOU?



AFTER THAT
RITUAL A
CENTURY AGO,
THE SOUL HE
TOOK FROM "MY"
BODY WAS
"MIFORD." THE
BARON HAD LOST
"NOEL" AND IN
HIS ANGER HE
PUT ME HERE AS
A LIVING SEAL...

THAT'S
IT

HAHA!

NOW
THAT THE
ZIGURAT OPENED THE
GATE TO
EARTH, IF
MY SEAL IS
BROKEN,

THE DEMONS
WILL INFEST
AND DESTROY
THE WORLD
OF THE
LIVING IN THE
BLINK OF AN
EYE

THE POWER
THAT IS
TWISTING
THIS SLICE
OF TIME
AND SPACE
IS DE-
TERTING

LOOKS
LIKE THIS
IS GOOD-
BYE





I ALSO
STARTED
FEELING
DOK, BUT

THAT'S
ALL
RIGHT

I HAVE
THIS... SO
I CAN BE
BORN AGAIN...



THANK
YOU FOR
COMING

I'M
GRATEFUL
FOR THIS
MEMO-
RIOUS
MOMENT...

I
MANAGED
TO RECAP
MY OLD
SELF...



Now
it's
my
turn

AH!

WAIT!!!

DOLL...?

WART
FOUR!

I HAVE
JUST
ONE RE-
QUEST!

I WANT YOU
TO FIND THE
DOLL... THE
ONE I AM
ALWAYS
SECRETING
AWAY IN MY
MIND
CLOTHES...

WART/
KOTOBA!

THE PLACE
WHERE IT
HAPPENED
IS DE-
STROYED

AND NOW
THERE'S AN
INVISIBLE
WALL AROUND
THE KAM-
CHIRA HOUSE.
SO NOTHING
CAN GO IN!

SOMETHING
VERY IM-
PORTANT
TO YOU AND
TO THAT
PERSON IS
INSIDE...

I WAS
CARRYING IT
IN SECRET
EVEN THE
DAY OF THE
RITUAL / SO PLEASE...

A
WALL

YES, IT'S
TRUE -
IT'S
SEALED
OFF...

The day
of the
ritual?
That
time?



BUT YOU
ONLY HAVE
VERY
LITTLE
TIME!

NOW IT'S
CONNECTED!
HE SAYS
HE'LL LEND
A HAND



HEH!



MR.
KIYOSAKI!

SORATO!!
IF YOU LET
GO OF HER
HAND,
YOU'LL BE
GROUND TO
DUST!

GO TO THE
KAMICHA
HOUSE NOW
AND FIND THE
DOLL!



THAT
SPACE
DESTROYS
THOSE
AFFILIATED
WITH DARK-
NESS... IT'S
DANGEROUS
FOR YOU,
SORATO.

BUT IF
SHE IS
WITH
YOU!

UGH!!!

DO NOT
LET GO
OF HER
HAND!!!

See left a
doll at the
place where
the ritual of the
'Involuntary
night' was
held?

What in
the world
is that
doll?

Ah? That
one?

What's so
important
about
that
doll?

The
rag-doll
kigurumi
used to
have?



WHAT'S
THIS
PLACE?
WHAT'S
HAPPENING?

This
is...?



KYA!!!



WAH!!!



Did
Kagami
power
fly up
here?!

RIGHT CHOICE DO I HAVE?
KYOGA TOLD ME
NOT TO LET GO OF
YOU WHILE
HERE IN
HERE!

You were
clinging
to me just
now!

W-WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?
WHO DO
YOU THINK
I AM? I'M
AN IDOL!!

KYAAA!!

WHAT'S
THAT
OVER
THERE?

It does feel
as if I'm
going to be
crushed if I
let my guard
down!!

BUT...

The place
of the
ritual?





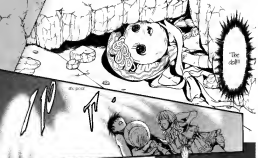
Samekh?!!!



There?



Ang?!!







I REALLY

WANTED
TO BE
YOUR
FRIEND...

AND
YOU
TOO...

I WANT
YOU TO BE
HAPPY TO
OBTAIN
WHAT YOU
REALLY
WANT AND
TO LIVE



Am I

ONLY

What?

That?



SORATO

THANK
YOU...

KINDOM

BUT I
PROM-
ISE...

I SWEAR,
I'LL SAVE
YOU SO
FAST!

I'M SORRY
I COULDN'T
ACCEPT
YOUR FEEL-
INGS...





IT HURTS
ME TO SEE
HOW HIS OLD
BELIEVERS
ARE BURNING
HIM FROM
THE INSIDE

SOON...
SOON!
HE'S TORN
AND
BATHED IN
BLOOD

FORGET
ABOUT
ME

LAST SCENE

LAST SCENE

TO NEVER
PART FROM
EACH
OTHER

THE THREE
OF US
PROMISED
TO BE
FRIENDS
FOREVER

LAST SCENE

LAST SCENE



"IT'S A
DINNY
SWORD."



AND AT THIS
RATE, HE
WILL COMMIT
MORE AND
MORE CRIMES
TO SAVE ME !



HIS SOUL
USED TO BE
SO GENTLE...
SO BEAUTI-
FUL...



SCARTO !



PL. 11000
THREE
QUARTER
III



PAINFULL

MY
BELOVED

SORATO

KI-YO-RRA!!!

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AFTERWORD

When Masako's face, I remember that I tried on her the lol-makeup that was popular the the time I drew this. It feels to me that if you're not quite to begin with, it won't suit you, but in manga, it's just fine.

As you can see, we've entered the climax of the story. It's really hard to settle all the swirling harem relationships in the story and everything, but it's also a happy time when I can show everything I wanted to.

So, please, make sure not to miss the rest!

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AERANDRIA

THE LIFE AND DEATH OF A PRISONER OF WAR

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When one talks about the pain of unrequited love, I don't think it would
never being eternally bound to a curse for eternity. I guess we should all
be aware. XD

- Lacaille

